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REMARKS

The undersigned acknowledges the courteous treatment during the course of an interview held on this date.

During the interview the Examiner presented a newly discovered reference, namely, McCauley '097 which will be made of record by the Examiner. The new reference shows a leaf blower with a dispenser for particulate material using a slide valve. It was pointed out that in the present invention, as illustrated in Fig. 7, a butterfly valve is employed. Accordingly, the present supplemental amendment, changes claim 1 to recite a butterfly valve with supporting structural details illustrated in Fig. 7 rather than just a control valve, to distinguish over McCauley.

The Examiner indicated that a further search will be conducted.

Entry of the amendment is requested.

The Examiner should call the undersigned or Mr. Kroll if further changes are required to obtain allowance of the application.

A favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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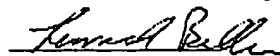
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